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SUBJECT: PMAC CHAIRMAN ADDRESSES NAM SUMMIT

1. SUMMARY: GENERAL TEFERI BANTE, CHAIRMAN OF EPMG
ADDRESSED NAM SUMMIT ON AUGUST 16. SPEECH'S THEME OF "DYNAMIC
NON-ALIGNMENT" STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF ETHIOPIAN REVOLUTION FOR
NAM AND THE COLLECTIVE DEMANDS OF ITS MEMBERS. FULL TEXT OF
SPEECH AS REPORTED BY ETHIOPIAN HERALD BEING FORWARDED TO
AF/E. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY OF MAIN POINTS OF TEFERI'S SPEECH:

--HE WELCOMED REPRESENTATION IN NAM OF REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLES
OF UNITED VIETNAM, CAMBODIA, AND LAOS, AS WELL AS PEOPLES OF
FORMER PORTUGUESE COLONIES WHO HAD "LIBERATED THEMSELVES AND
ALSO THE EPOPLE OF PORTUGAL". CHAIRMAN ALSO WELCOMED
COMOROS AND SEYCHELLES TO NAM.

--NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT HAS UNDERGONE CONSTANT TRANSFORMATIONS
IN ITS FIFTEEN YEARS OF EXISTENCE AS HAVE MANY OF ITS MEMBER
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COUNTRIES. NAM'S COLLECTIVE DEMANDS WILL NEVER BE HEEDED BY THE

GREAT POWERS IF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES DO NOT COMMIT THEMSELVES TO PRINCIPLES THAT WE EXPECT OTHERS TO LIVE BY. NON-ALIGNED MUST STRIVE IN INCREASING MEASURE TO LIVE UP TO THE CREED OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND TO SHOW COURAGE AND DETERMINATION IN ELIMINATING THE UNJUST AND UNEQUAL RELATIONS WHICH CHARACTERIZE PRESENT INTERNATIONAL SOCIAL ORDER.

--ETHIOPIAN REVOLUTION HAS HAD AN IMPACT ON ETHIOPIA'S FOREIGN POLICY AND ON ITS APPROACH TOWARDS NON-ALIGNMENT. ACTIONS TAKEN TO ESTABLISH NEW INTERNAL SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ORDER HAVE ADDED ONE MORE CREDIBLE VOICE FOR A CHANGE IN EXISTING GLOBAL RELATIONS. DYNAMISM OF NON-ALIGNMENT IS ROOTED IN THE CHANGES TAKING PLACE IN OUR COUNTRIES. NON-ALIGNMENT IS NOT ONLY A POLICY FOR RELATIONS WITH THE GREAT POWERS, BUT ALSO FOR INTERNAL DEVELOPMENT AND IN RELATIONS AMONG EACH OTHER.

--NON-ALIGNMENT IS IN A TRANSITION PERIOD. HAVING ENCOURAGED DETENTE AMONG THE GREAT POWERS, NAM SHOULD MOVE TOWARDS A WIDER DETENTE BASED ON EQUALITY, RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY, SELF-DETERMINATION, MUTUAL INTEREST AND THE ASSUMPTION OF COMMON RESPONSIBILITY FOR SOLVING MANKIND'S CRUCIAL PROBLEMS.

--DETENTE AS DEFINED BY NON-ALIGNMENT DOES NOT MEAN RENUNCIATION OF ARMED STRUGGLE BY PEOPLE UNDER COLONIAL DOMINATION OR A MORATORIUM ON MATERIAL AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THOSE CARRYING OUT SUCH STRUGGLES. THIS HAS IMMEDIATE APPLICATION TO SOUTH AFRICA AND SHOULD NOT BE SEEN TO MEAN ACQUIESCENCE IN THE CONSEQUENCES OF AGGRESSION IN THE MIDDLE EAST, NAMIBIA, OR SOUTH AFRICA.

--DETENTE SHOULD ACTIVELY SEEK ENLARGEMENT OF GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS OF PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE BY PROMOTING AGREEMENTS FOR CERTAIN LAND MASSES AND BODIES OF WATER TO BE DECLARED PEACEFUL ZONES FROM WHICH BIG POWER PERMANENT MILITARY PRESENCE AND COMPETITION WILL BE REMOVED AND THE INTRODUCTION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS WILL BE PROHIBITED. AFRICA AND THE INDIAN OCEAN SHOULD BECOME SUCH ZONES.

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--THROUGH DIRECT SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY, NAM SHOULD ASSIST IN THE SEARCH FOR SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. NAM SHOULD FURTHER ISOLATE RHODESIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. NAM SHOULD FURTHER ISOLATE RHODESIA AND SOUTH AFRICA BY GALVANIZING SUPPORT FOR DIRECT COERCIVE MEASURES IN THE DIPLOMATIC AND ECONOMIC FIELDS, AND IN FURTHER ISOLATING THESE STATES FROM ORDINARY TIES SUCH AS CULTURAL AND SPORTING LINKS.

--NON-ALIGNED CAN PROVIDE SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLE WITH DECISIVE MATERIAL AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE. NOW THAT PEOPLE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA HAVE DECIDED ON ARMED STRUGGLE, THE NEED TO AFFORD DIRECT ASSISTANCE FOR THE FIGHTERS OF ZIMBABWE, AZANIA, AND NAMIBIA CANNOT BE OVEREMPHASIZED.

--ETHIOPIA IS CLOSELY LINKED BY ETHNIC, HISTORIC, ECONOMIC, AND SECURITY TIES WITH DJIBOUTI. ETHIOPIA WELCOMES THE IMMEDIATE INDEPENDENCE OF THE TERRITORY AND BELIEVES THAT SUCH INDEPENDENCE IS COMPATIBLE WITH ETHIOPIAN INTERESTS. ETHIOPIA HAS NO CLAIMS ON DJIBOUTI AND HAS PROPOSED THAT OTHER NATIONS NEIGHBORING ON DJIBOUTI SHOULD JOIN HER, UNDER OAU AUSPICES, TO A DECLARATION OF NON-ASSERTION OF TERRITORIAL CLAIMS.

--INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER SHOULD REFLECT JUST AND EQUITABLE TRANSFER OF REAL RESOURCES. PRODUCTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD HAVE UNENCUMBERED ACCESS TO THE MARKETS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. PRICES RECEIVED BY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES FOR EXPORTS SHOULD BE FIXED AT PARITY LEVELS WITH THE PRICES PAID FOR INDUSTRIAL IMPORTS, AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SHOULD BE PROTECTED FROM INFLATION AND DEPRESSION BY INSURING CONSTANT AND REMUNERATIVE LEVELS OF THEIR EXPORTS THROUGH BUFFER STOCK FINANCING. A DIRECT LINK SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE CREATION OF NEW INTERNATIONAL FINANCING AND LIQUIDITY. IN JUSTIFIABLE INSTANCES, CANCELLATION, RESCHEDULING, OR A MORATORIUM ON DEBTS OR PAYMENTS FOR A NUMBER OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES SUFFERING AS A RESULT OF DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL INFLATION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED.

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